FISCAL NOTE

HB 1052 - SB 1710

March 19, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Revises labeling requirements for vegetable seeds in containers of one and one-half pounds or less, including vegetable seeds in pre-planted containers, mats, tapes or other planting devices to show specific information for such seeds.

Provides any seed offered or exposed for sale after the year for which packed, unless in hermetically sealed containers, must show a current germination test. The person in possession of such seed will be responsible for securing a new germination test.

Requires the Department of Agriculture to promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the provisions of the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act to effectuate the purposes of the act.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Estimate assumes the Department of Agriculture will utilize existing resources to promulgate rules and regulations.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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